

EXAMINERS AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and /or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such amendment, it must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

2. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Michael Chasan (Reg. No. 54,026) on January 12, 2010.

3. The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 1, 11, 14, 24, 27, 37 and 40-51 has been replaced with the following amended claims:

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) A method for providing remote access to captured content, comprising:

automatically registering a capture device with a remote computer over a communications network, wherein the automatic registration associates the capture device with user information;

locally capturing content for an event using the capture device;

automatically encapsulating the content with metadata, wherein the metadata includes information about the capture device, the content, the event, and the user information;

automatically transmitting the content encapsulated with metadata from the

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capture device to the remote computer over the communications network;

processing the metadata encapsulating the content at the remote computer,

wherein the processing comprises:

automatically associating the content with a user account according to the user information included with the metadata;

automatically publishing the content on the remote computer according to the information about the capture device, the content, and the event included with the metadata, wherein the remote computer comprises a database comprising locally captured content associated with user accounts and publishing the content comprises updating the database with the content;

automatically generating a textual notification at the remote computer in response to publishing the content, wherein the notification indicates that the published content has been published on the remote computer and includes the information about the event included with the metadata;

automatically transmitting the generated textual notification from the remote computer to a user associated with the user account;

allowing the user to access the published content and current status information for the capture device on the remote computer with a user access device, wherein the current status information comprises data on a state of the capture device; [[and]]

allowing the user to send a command from the user access device to the capture device via the remote computer in order to change the state of the

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capture device[[.]] ;

wherein:

the capture device has an associated virtual interface;

the metadata includes information about the virtual interface; and

publishing the content on remote computer comprises providing the user with access to the content using the virtual interface according to the metadata.

Claim 11. (Cancelled).

Claim 14. (Currently Amended) A system for providing remote access to captured content comprising:

a capture device configured to locally capture content;

a monitoring module configured to:

automatically register the capture device with a remote computer over a communications network, wherein the automatic registration associates the capture device with user information;

automatically encapsulate the content with metadata, wherein the metadata includes information about the capture device, the content, the event, and the user information; and

automatically provide the content to the remote computer from the capture device over the communications network;

the remote computer configured to process the metadata encapsulating

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the content, wherein the processing comprises:

automatically associating the content with a user account according to the user information included with the metadata; and

automatically publishing the content according to the information about the capture device, the content, and the event included with the metadata, wherein the remote computer comprises a database comprising locally captured content associated with user accounts and publishing the content comprises updating the database with the content;

automatically generating a textual notification in response to publishing the content, wherein the notification indicates that the published content has been published on the remote computer and includes the information about the event included with the metadata; and

automatically transmitting the generated textual notification to a user associated with the user account;

a user access device configured to:

allow the user to access the published content and current status information for the capture device on the remote computer, wherein the current status information comprises data on a state of the capture device;

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allow the user to send a command from the user access device to the capture device via the remote computer in order to change the state of the capture device[[.]] ;

wherein:

the capture device has an associated virtual interface;

the metadata includes information about the virtual interface; and

the remote computer is further configured to publish the content
according to the information about the virtual interface.

Claim 24. (Cancelled)

Claim 27. (Currently Amended) A system for providing remote access to
captured content comprising:

means for automatically registering a capture device with a remote
computer over a communications network, wherein the automatic registration
associates the capture device with user information;

means for locally capturing content for an event using the capture device;

means for automatically encapsulating the content with metadata, wherein
the metadata includes information about the capture device, the content, the
event, and the user information;

means for automatically transmitting the content encapsulated with
metadata to the remote computer over the communications network;

means for processing the metadata encapsulating the content at the
remote computer, wherein the means for processing comprises:

means for automatically associating the content with a user account

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according to the user information included with the metadata;

means for automatically publishing the content to the remote computer according to the information about the capture device, the content, and the event included with the metadata, wherein the remote computer comprises a database comprising locally captured content associated with user accounts and publishing the content comprises updating the database with the content;

means for automatically generating a textual notification at the remote computer in response to publishing the content, wherein the notification indicates that the published content has been published on the remote computer and includes the information about the event included with the metadata;

means for automatically transmitting the generated textual notification from the remote computer to a user associated with the user account;

means for allowing the user to access the published content and current status information for the capture device on the remote computer with a user access device, wherein the current status information comprises data on a state of the capture device; [[and]]

means for allowing the user to send a command from the user access device to the capture device via the remote computer in order to change the state of the capture device[[.]] ;

wherein:

the capture device has an associated virtual interface;

the metadata includes information about the virtual interface; and

the means for publishing the content on the web site comprises

means for providing the user with access to the content using the virtual interface according to the metadata.

Claim 37 (Cancelled)

Claims 40-46, 48-49, and 51. (Cancelled)

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